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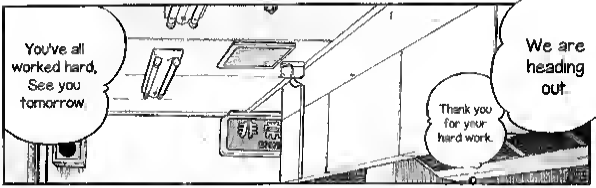
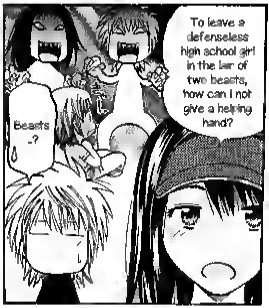
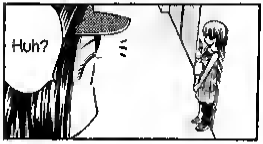

You've all worked hard. See you tomorrow.
We are heading out.
Thank you for your hard work.

華屋勢
HUH?
Ah, you mean Yui-chan?
It's alright, and it seems like she has owhere else to go.


Sfx Uwaa...
To leave a defenseless high school girl in the ler of two beasts, how can I not give a helping hand?
Beasts -?


Huh?

Is it really alright with you?
See you around~
Thank you for your hard work.

Ah!
Yui-chan!
Have you waited long?
What's wrong? You could've just waited at home.
Ah, It's not that...
Megumi-san's place... was Yoshi-matsu...
What are you talking about?
I mean I stayed at Megumi-san's place when I first came to Osaka and it was that place!
What about that place?
YOSHI-MATSU!!!
THE SAME YOSHIMATSU AS THE CARVINGS ON MAKITO-SAN'S KNIFE!

Really?!
Maybe he can even repair that knife, so you can continue to use it!
I COULDN'T WAIT ANY KAN. CYCLE HOME.
That's great!
Alright!! Let's head over there right now! Ah, wait maybe they have already closed for the day?
No problem! I already asked them to make an exception and keep the shop open for us!
Awesome!
That knife... I can use it again...?
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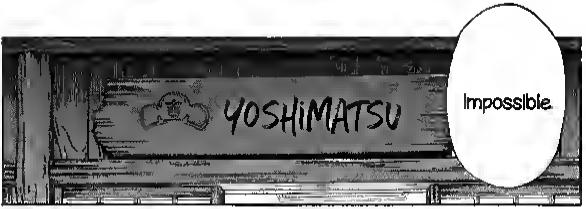
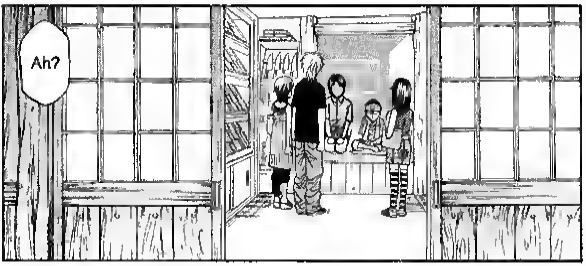
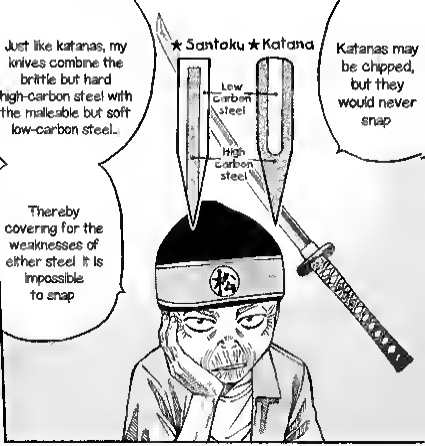

YOSHIMATSU
Impossible.

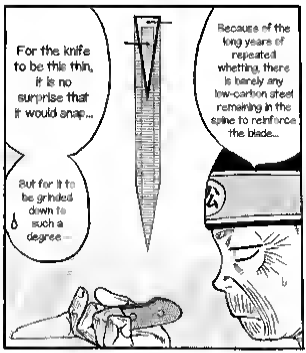

Ah?

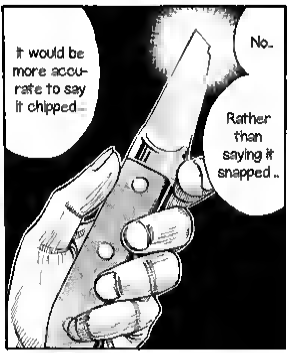
Impossible!!!
I'll say it again. Snapping of the knives that I've smithed is —
Megumi-chan should have already told you before...
I use the same techniques for smithing katanas to smith my santokus.

Not to mention, this is the bastard that stole away my beloved Yui-chan. Why should I bother to repair his knife!
Umm. Actually, this knife...
Uwa
Go away!
Shoo! Shoo!


Just like katanas, my knives combine the brittle but hard high-carbon steel with the malleable but soft low-carbon steel..
★Santoku ★Katana
Low Carbon steel
High Carbon steel
Katanas may be chipped, but they would never snap
Thereby covering for the weaknesses of either steel. It is impossible to snap

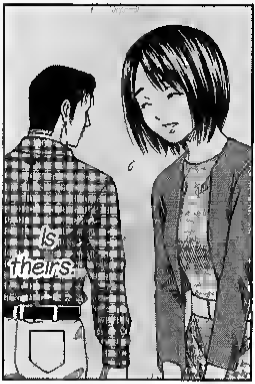
It really snapped off...
It really snapped off...


For the knife to be this thin, it is no surprise that it would snap...
But for it to be grinded down to such a degree—
Because of the long years of repeated whetting, there is barely any low-carbon steel remaining in the spine to reinforce the blade...


It would be more accurate to say it chipped—
No..
Rather than saying it snapped..

Huh?
Can you make me a western-styled chef's knife?
Bolster...
松
I
This knife has a bolster
With Bolster
Bolster
Without Bolster
No doubt about it.
With a bolster, we will need to weld it back together.
But we do not have experience in welding...
So what do you think?
Ah, I see.
Although this knife does have the Kitsushou seal..
Did I really smith this?
Ah, so it's pronounced Kitsushou... and not Yoshimatsu...
Ah?
This knife...

Huh? Bolster?
Ah could you specially add a bolster to the knife?
松
This knife is a product of my hands...


Is theirs...

?
That's right...
This youngster...

Sadly, that is probably impossible.
Is it possible to have it repaired...?
That knife...
Umm...
No way...
With how short the knife already is, even if we whet it down, I doubt much blade would remain
However...
In most cases, whenever a knife chips they would whet the chipped parts away
Yui-chan
Would it be possible to at least salvage the handle, and replace the rest with a brand new blade?
Then.
This knife is really important...
In that sense, doing so would defeat the purpose of a kitchen knife

To Makito-san.
This knife is.
An irreplaceable memento.

Sorry, Yui-chan

Actually, when this knife snapped,
I had already decided that...

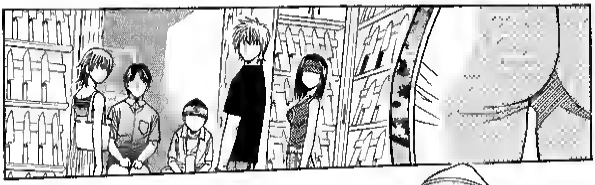
If it is just salvaging the handle, we can probably...
Ah...

.....

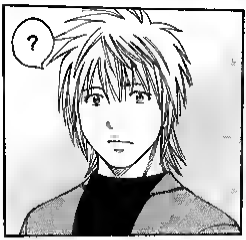
For this knife...
it is fine as it is.
Kunige-kun...?
It has been 11 years since I've started using this knife...
Before that it was mom's.. and even before that, it was dad's..
This knife probably had lasted for over 20 years...
I think, as a knife, it has already done more than enough

This knife...
Together with all the experiences, will forever remain in my memory.

Makito-san...
松
Kuinige-kun...
Does that...
HAHA.
Sound a bit pretentious..?
Either way, I am still in need of a knife!
Please make me one! One that will be perfectly compatible with me!
Oh... Not bad...
Wait a minute!



Megumi-san...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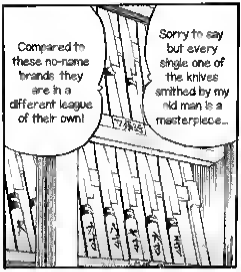
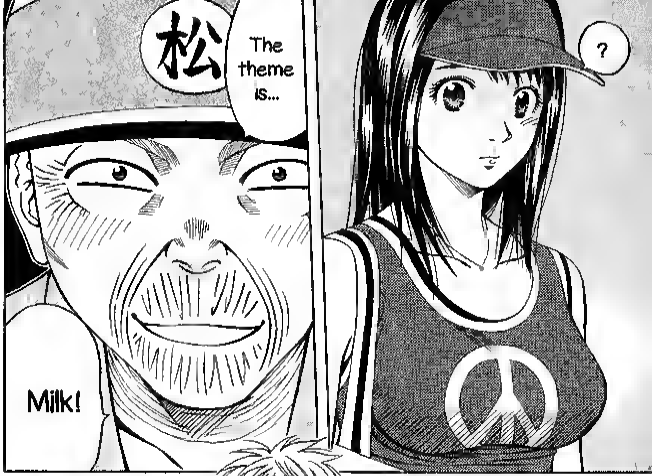

Compared to these no-name brands they are in a different league of their own!
Sorry to say but every single one of the knives smithed by my old man is a masterpiece...

with Curry!
What qualifications do someone like you have to be worthy of a Kitsushou knife?
If you really want one, let me test your qualifications...

?!

Swoosh
Why... Megumi-san!
And make do with one of those no-name knives!
If you lose, give up on the Kitsuchou knife,
You won't run away, will you?
.....
Alright! I accept your challenge!

Then let me be the judge!
Alright!
...Hmph! What ever...
Qualifications to own one of my knives?!
That Megumi, she has never made such claims in the past
The theme is...
Right...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The theme is...
Milk!
?

Bastard! What were you ogling when you said that?!
!!?
Milk?!
Sfx: Bam!

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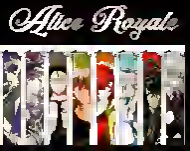

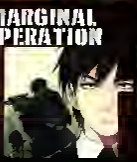

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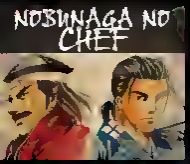

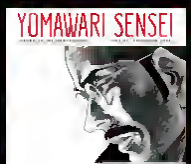

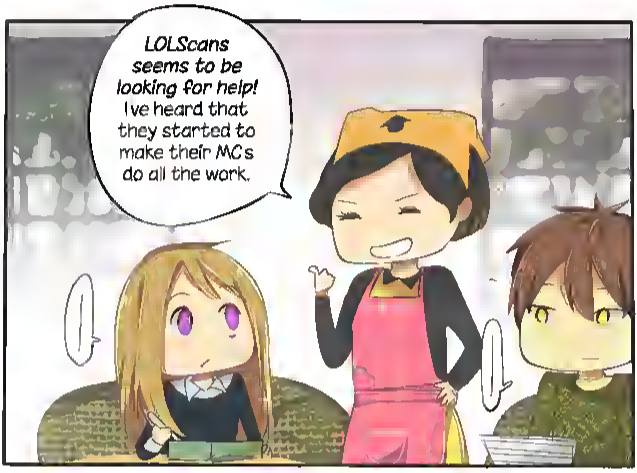

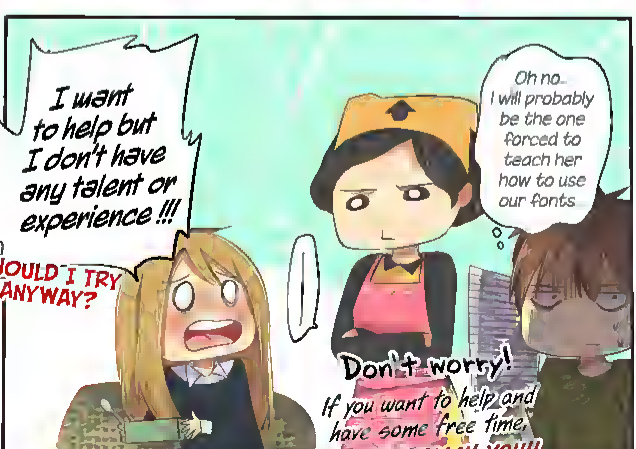
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Oh no... I will probably be the one forced to teach her how to use our fonts
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